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PETROLEUM EXTRACTION AND REFINING ENTERPRISES REPORT SUCCESS

The Azneft' Association as a whole completed the 9-month plan for petroleum extraction and supplied tens of thousands of tons of petroleum on its Socialist obligations.(1) Nevertheless only 32 out of the association's 67 oil fields and only 133 out of the total number of 271 brigades completed the 9-month plan.(2) The 9-month plan was completed ahead of schedule by the Leninneft', Stalinneft', Kirovneft', Kaganovichneft', Buzovnyneft', and Siazan'-neft' trusts but was not completed by the Ordzhonikidze-neft', Azizbekovneft', Molotovneft', Neftechalaneft', Kergezneft', and Kirovabadneft' trusts.(1) The Stalinneft' (3) and the Buzovnyneft' trusts have also completed the 10-month plan ahead of schedule.(4)

The Stalinneft' Trust has increased its producing reserves by 187 wells. At the oil fields, 2,100 geological and technical measures have been carried out, and improved technique has raised the average daily output 200 tons. One hundred eighteen wells have been converted from the compressor method of exploitation to the deep-well pump method. Seven out of eight oil fields are meeting their daily quotas.(3)

Oil fields No 2, 5, 6, 13, and 14 of the Leninneft' Trust have reported ahead-of-schedule fulfillment of their year petroleum extraction obligations. During 9 months, the producing reserves of the trust were increased by 155 oil wells. Labor productivity rose 2.7 percent instead of the promised 1.5 percent. The production costs of a ton of petroleum and gas were reduced 2.9 percent below the plan instead of the promised 0.5 percent.(4)

On 20 October, the Azmorneft' Association completed the 10-month plan for petroleum extraction. Since the beginning of 1950 daily petroleum extraction in the association has increased 39 percent and the producing reserves have risen 20 percent. The outstanding oil field in the trust is oil field No 4 of the Artemneft' Trust which during 1950 has increased its petroleum output 28 percent and its number of producing wells 27 percent.(5)

Workers of the Geological Prospecting Trust of the Aznefterazvedka Association completed the 9-month plan for drilling 104.8 percent.(6)

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The Sredazreft' Association is intensifying its efforts in anticipation of the 33d anniversary of 7 November. The workers are competing to increase the petroleum output and to reduce production costs. Workers in the Andizhan-neft' oil field resolved to complete the year plan by 25 November instead of the planned date, 5 December.(7)

Socialist competition in honor of the 33d anniversary of 7 November is spreading in the Emba oil fields. Hundreds of petroleum workers are successfully meeting their obligation. Workers in one section of the Koshkaz oil field have already extracted more than 2,000 tons of above-plan petroleum and have promised to fulfill the year plan by 1 November and to give the country several thousand additional tons of petroleum by the end of the year.(8)

Petroleum workers of the Azneftezavody Association are fulfilling or exceeding the state plan yearly and are delivering to the state tens and hundreds of thousands of tons of above-plan motor fuel and oils. During 9 months of 1950, plants of the association delivered several thousands of tons of light petroleum products and tens of thousands of tons of lubricating oils above their year obligations.

The Order of Lenin Refinery imeni Stalin has promised to fulfill the year plan by 7 November. At the beginning of 1950, this plant was not able to produce at capacity since winter conditions had hampered the activity of the oil fields and prevented them from shipping adequate amounts of petroleum to it. At present, the refinery has overcome this lag and had fulfilled the year plan for its basic products, which are light petroleum products and oils. Tens of trainloads of above-plan petroleum products have already been delivered to the country. Petroleum losses have been decreased 10.5 percent below the plan and 12,000 tons of fuel have been saved.(9)

The Refinery imeni Andreyev has processed 12 trainloads of above-plan petroleum products since the beginning of 1950.(10) This refinery has been awarded the Transferable Red Banner of the Council of Ministers USSR for its achievements. The Refinery imeni Dzhaparidze has been in possession of the Transferable Red Banner of the VTsSPS and of the Ministry of the Petroleum Industry since the beginning of 1950. This refinery has replaced the use of mazut with low-grade fuel in conformance with the important task facing the petroleum industry of saving mazut by using some less valuable petroleum product.

Increased motor building in the postwar years has led to requirements for a greater assortment of fuels and oils and an improvement in their quality. Azerbaijani petroleum workers are developing new types of fuel and oil and are continuing to increase the efficiency of their technical installations as well as to master new, highly effective processes.(9)

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